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Put Soft Coal in the Bin.

Mayor Hylan's appeal to the public to give heed to the coal situation calls urgently for everybody's response.

New York is so short of anthracite coal, and New York is going to be so short of anthracite coal all winter, that the situation would be desperate right now if no other fuel were available.

The same thing is true of the territory around this city.

And the situation could become desperate in forty-eight hours if a blizzard swept down upon New York to tie up coal deliveries to the consumer.

Put in soft coal for the emergency that is almost sure to come. It is your only safe way.

Swiss Confiscation Smashed.

Switzerland's smashing vote against property confiscation indicates that her wage earners in the factories, on the farms and elsewhere have more economic sense and more common sense than some of our radical members of Congress.

Here in this country the radical agitation in and out of Congress to take all or part of the accumulated surplus of industrial and business concerns is not one whit different from the Swiss proposal which was defeated so crushingly.

The proposal of the American radicals to have the Government seize by heavy taxes part of the accumulated surplus of industry and business simply means that the Government would have to tear the industry or the business to pieces to get its tax.

The surplus which a business has is not kept in sacks of gold. It is not held in piles of securities. It is in brick and mortar and stone foundations and walls, steel buildings, machinery and other physical things built into and made a fundamental part of the industry and business.

Instead of paying out all its earnings as it made them the railroad has played part of those earnings year after year into roadbed and track, into bridges and terminals, rolling stock and equipment.

When the proposal is to take the surplus of a steel company it is equivalent to a proposal to carry off some of its furnaces, rolling mills, real estate under the very machinery that is doing the company's work and giving employment to its men.

All this of course is a physical impossibility.

The Government cannot tear an industry or a business apart, piece by piece, and get anything worth while out of it any more than it can tear an individual apart, limb by limb, and get anything worth while out of him.

But if the Government does not confiscate the surplus, if it does not carry off or wreck essential parts of productive plants and economic agencies, then the Government can tax what the surplus, along with all the rest of the business, produces.

The Swiss white collar worker, as shown by his overwhelming vote against the proposed confiscation of property and destruction of productivity, knows this.

The Flat and the Children.

There are laws to cover almost everything if you will only look around for them when the occasion arises.

Such a law may seem to be hard on the landlord who doesn't like to have his floors scratched or his walls dented by little shoes.

Stamping Out Tuberculosis.

In the death registration area of the United States 88,000 persons died from tuberculosis in 1921.

This reduction in the actual number of deaths from tuberculosis is neither surprising nor mysterious.

Man has brought the Great White Plague under control. It will be man's fault if the disease is not extirpated as a cause of common loss and suffering.

Keep Up Our Navy.

Secretary Denby's annual report does not ask for a bigger navy than is provided for in the terms of the naval limitation treaty.

The financial condition of the Treasury and the tax burdens of the public do not warrant the expenditure that would be required now to put the navy in a position to support beyond all possibility of misadventure American policies and commerce and to hold our continental and overseas possessions safe from attack.

The one thing in all the national Government which the Congress appropriating power cannot afford to be miserably short is the United States Navy whenever there is danger of it falling below the needs of our country and short of the service it can render to civilization.

The powers which Timothy M. Healy will exercise as Governor-General of the Irish Free State are exercised by Lord Blyth, the Crown representative in Canada, except in one important particular.

As Governor-General Mr. Healy will appoint an Executive Council of twelve Ministers, corresponding to the Canadian Privy Council.

The Coffin Foundation.

The General Electric Company has established a fund of \$400,000, to be known as the Charles A. Coffin Foundation, the income from which is to be devoted to encouraging the study and the application of the science of electricity.

Mr. Coffin is a Maine man, endowed with the quality of common sense so conspicuously possessed by the leaders of thought and action the Pine Tree State has given to the nation, and gifted with breadth of vision that enables him to visualize business as something more than an opportunity to pay fair wages to workers and to earn fair profits for stockholders.

The policy and the practices of the corporation which Mr. Coffin has directed as it forged its way to world-wide importance were the natural expressions of his keen intelligence, his wide sympathy and his ambition to achieve that success which those attain who raise the standard of mankind's comfort, safety and happiness by enlarging man's opportunity to do for himself.

Turkey and Russia at Lausanne.

Kerallist Turkey reverts to the traditional policy of the Ottoman Empire and Soviet Russia to that of Russia of the Czars when they come to the Dardanelles.

When the Kemalists were struggling for a foothold in the Anatolian mountains Moscow was the first foreign Power to recognize their Assembly at Ankara.

More Poetry That Pleases.

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From the Sabatha Herald. Mrs. Mary Hall is a woman of whom Sabatha may be proud, and is, in her old age, making her own dresses and sometimes her hats.

The Lusitania's Cargo.

All Facts Matters of Judicial Record, Judge Lacombe Points Out.

The Lusitania did not carry it as cargo and passengers list of the Lusitania on her fatal voyage. You state that the report is copyrighted by the World, which seems strange, as it is apparently a public document.

Christmas Appeal for Wards of the Municipal Lodging House.

To The New York Herald: Through the generosity of the public last year the Municipal Lodging House, under the jurisdiction of the Department of Public Welfare, was enabled to fit out with good, warm clothing more than 2,000 men, women and children who applied for lodging.

The clothing received by the department was greatly appreciated by the recipients and enabled them to apply for and receive positions, which they could not possibly have done in their ragged condition.

Thousands of the city's poor will apply during the present winter to the Municipal Lodging House for shelter, food and clothing. The department is ready and able to offer shelter and food to every worthy applicant, but under the provisions of the charter cannot furnish clothing, and for this we must look to the generous public once more.

Rights to the Oil.

The Roman Empire and the laws of Justinian recognized the principle that private property to which a right attached in the thing, in rem, was liable to that equity thought of the individual in the property could not be cut off, though, says the receipt, "the property came into our imperial treasury."

Why Do Men Fight?

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Thoughts Engendered While Watching Two Roosters at It.

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Calls Engineers to Enter Politics

Dean Kimball of Cornell Tells Convention New Leadership Is Needed to Save Civilization.

America must find a new type of leadership to solve the industrial riddle threatening civilization, Dean Dexter S. Kimball of Cornell University declared last night in his address as retiring president of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

The United States is a country built largely by engineers and now run by politicians who have shown themselves wholly incapable of coping with the problem, Dean Kimball asserted.

Protest Film Showing KLAN.

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